

Amendments to the Claims:

The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1-28. (canceled)

29. (new) A flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive tape or sheet comprising:

- a base material;
- a halogen-free flame retardant-containing first pressure-sensitive adhesive layer disposed upon the base material, having two sides, and comprising:
 - an acrylic polymer derived from an alkyl(meth)acrylate monomer and a nitrogen-containing monomer, and
 - a metal hydrate compound; and
- a metal hydrate-free second pressure-sensitive adhesive layer in contact with at least a portion of at least one side of the flame retardant-containing first pressure-sensitive adhesive layer and comprising an acrylic polymer derived from an alkyl(meth)acrylate monomer and a carboxyl group-containing monomer.

30. (new) A flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive tape or sheet according to claim 29, wherein the first pressure-sensitive adhesive layer contains an acrylic polymer derived from 40 to 97 parts by weight of an alkyl(meth)acrylate monomer, and 3 to 50 parts by weight of a nitrogen-containing monomer, wherein the first pressure-sensitive adhesive includes from 15 to 400 parts by weight of a metal hydrate; and wherein the metal hydrate-free second pressure-sensitive adhesive layer contains an acrylic polymer derived from 60 to 99 parts by weight of an alkyl(meth)acrylate monomer, and from 1 to 20 parts by weight of a carboxyl group-containing monomer.

31. (new) The flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive sheet or tape according to claim 29, wherein the first pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is further derived from a carboxyl group-containing monomer.

32. (new) The flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive sheet or tape according to claim 29, wherein the first pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is further derived from a nitrogen-containing monomer.

33. (new) The flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive sheet or tape according to claim 29, wherein the second pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is present on at least a portion of both sides of the flame retardant-containing pressure-sensitive adhesive layer.

34. (new) The flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive sheet or tape according to claim 31, wherein the second pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is present on at least a portion of both sides of the flame retardant-containing pressure-sensitive adhesive layer.

35. (new) The flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive sheet or tape according to claim 32, wherein the second pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is present on at least a portion of both sides of the flame retardant-containing pressure-sensitive adhesive layer.

36. (new) The flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive sheet or tape according to claim 34, wherein the second pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is present on at least a portion of both sides of the flame retardant-containing pressure-sensitive adhesive layer, and the flame retardant-containing pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is a foam.

37. (new) A flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive tape or sheet comprising:

a base material;

a halogen-free flame retardant-containing first pressure-sensitive adhesive layer disposed upon the base material, having two sides, and comprising:

an acrylic polymer derived from an alkyl(meth)acrylate monomer and a carboxyl group-containing monomer, and
a metal hydrate compound; and
a metal hydrate-free second pressure-sensitive adhesive layer in contact with at least a portion of at least one side of the flame retardant-containing first pressure-sensitive adhesive layer and comprising an acrylic polymer derived from an alkyl(meth)acrylate monomer and a nitrogen-containing monomer.

38. (new) A flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive tape or sheet according to claim 37, wherein the first pressure-sensitive adhesive layer contains an acrylic polymer derived from 60 to 99 parts by weight of an alkyl(meth)acrylate monomer, and 1 to 20 parts by weight of a carboxyl group-containing monomer, wherein the first pressure-sensitive adhesive includes from 15 to 400 parts by weight of a metal hydrate; and, wherein the metal hydrate-free second pressure-sensitive adhesive layer contains an acrylic polymer derived from 40 to 97 parts by weight of an alkyl(meth)acrylate monomer, and from 3 to 50 parts by weight of a nitrogen-containing monomer.

39. (new) The flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive sheet or tape according to claim 37, wherein the first pressure-sensitive adhesive layer contains an acrylic polymer derived from a nitrogen-containing monomer.

40. (new) The flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive sheet or tape according to claim 37, wherein the first pressure-sensitive adhesive layer contains an acrylic polymer derived from a carboxyl group-containing monomer.

41. (new) The flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive sheet or tape according to claim 37, wherein the second pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is present on at least a portion of both sides of the flame retardant-containing pressure-sensitive adhesive layer.

42. (new) The flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive sheet or tape according to claim 39, wherein the second pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is present on at least a portion of both sides of the flame retardant-containing pressure-sensitive adhesive layer.

43. (new) The flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive sheet or tape according to claim 40, wherein the second pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is present on at least a portion of both sides of the flame retardant-containing pressure-sensitive adhesive layer.

44. (new) The flame-retardant acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive sheet or tape according to claim 37, wherein the second pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is present on at least a portion of both sides of the flame retardant-containing pressure-sensitive adhesive layer, and the flame retardant-containing pressure-sensitive adhesive layer is a foam.

45. (new) The adhesive sheet or tape of claim 29 wherein the amount of metal hydrate is from 30 to 200 parts by weight.

46. (new) The adhesive sheet or tape of claim 37 wherein the amount of metal hydrate is from 30 to 200 parts by weight.